



CHANEL COLLEGE

news

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"To act justly, to love tenderly and walk humbly with your God"
Micah 6:8

From the Principal

Welcome back to the new term. I hope that all families enjoyed the Easter holidays and are looking forward to the new term. It can be easy to get caught up in the "busyness" of the new term and forget about what the real celebration of Easter is all about...the risen Jesus! I was recently looking at the "Pray as You Can" website and saw this lovely reflection that I would like to share with you.

The risen Jesus has come to meet us at various times in our life. In the coming week mull over the times he has come to you.

Perhaps

- in the people who gave you support and encouragement in growing up,
- in the people who have forgiven you,
- in the times that you have forgiven after being hurt,
- in the times you have had the courage of your convictions,
- in the times you have received just the right advice...and taken it,
- in being loved...and in loving,
- in those who need you,
- in the beauty of nature,
- in the times you have known God in prayer.

Mull over, pray about and thank God for these times and if you have a person with whom you can share your faith, celebrate those Easter moments of your lives.



God bless

S. M. Volp

Sharon Volp

ANZAC Day

This morning our community celebrated a very moving ANZAC Day Assembly. Thank you to Connor Mulhern and Ben Felix for their leadership in the organisation of the assembly and to the army and navy cadets who added to the sense of occasion. A huge thank you to all students for their outstanding support and respect at this morning's service. Thank you also to Mrs Wales for overseeing the organisation and to Mr King for his technical support.

Chanel College will also participate in a number of the various ANZAC ceremonies which will be happening around the area. The Choir will be singing at the Dawn Service which will commence at 5.30 am at the Cenotaph, ANZAC Park in Gladstone. We would also like to have a group of Chanel College representatives march in the parades in Gladstone and Boyne/Tannum Sands. For students wishing to participate in the Boyne/Tannum March please meet Miss Volp in the Boyne Plaza car park (Woolworth's car park) at 8.15 am. Students wishing to participate in the Gladstone March please meet Mrs Wales near the Gladstone Regional Council Chambers at 10.15 am.

Students participating are required to wear full day uniform (including hat). Each year we have had more students being a part of these events. I would like to encourage as many members of the Chanel community to join us in either of these marches.

Staffing Update

Welcome to Mr Brian Rawnsley who joined the teaching staff this week. He will be teaching in the subject areas of Religion, Humanities and English. We would also like to welcome Mrs Vicki Stewart who commenced in the College Office this week. Welcome back to Mr Rod O'Mara who is replacing Mr Andrew Boge while he is enjoying his long service leave.

Year 7 2015 Enrolments

Year 7 2015 Enrolments opened last term. I would warmly like to invite prospective students and their parents/guardians to our **Year 7 Information Evening on Tuesday 29 April**. Tours of the College will commence from 5.00 pm with the formal presentation commencing at 6.00 pm in the Marian Centre. This is an excellent opportunity to view our facilities and to meet our staff and students. First round applications close on **Friday 9 May 2014**.

Year 8 2015 Enrolments

Offers were posted to all families who have completed the enrolment process in the last week of last term. To secure your place for 2015, please ensure that paperwork is returned to the College Office by **Friday 16 May 2014**.

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Good News

Kath Hore Mission & RE Support Officer

Project Compassion and St Vincent De Paul's Easter Appeal

Many thanks to everyone who so generously support Project Compassion during Lent. Your willingness to help others has enabled us, as a community, to raise \$2716.20 in just four weeks! A fantastic effort and Caritas will make good use of the funds empowering people through education and opportunities to break the poverty cycle.

A big thank you also for the many donations received for the St Vincent De Paul Easter Appeal and no doubt your generosity helped several families to celebrate Easter with some special treats. Thanks also to Stella Maris House for organising and coordinating the collection of goods.

Movers and Shakers

Our six students who attended Movers and Shakers in Toowoomba over the Easter Holidays have returned with a greater understanding of leadership and are eager to put into practice some of their new-found knowledge.

Year 10 Retreat

Year 10 Students will be attending their Retreat at Tanyalla Conference Centre, Tannum Sands during Weeks 2 and 3.

Retreat 1 will be held from Thursday 1 May to Friday 2 May.

Retreat 2 will be held from Monday 5 May to Tuesday 6 May.

Retreat 3 will be held from Wednesday 7 May to Thursday 8 May.

This Retreat offers the opportunity for students to reflect and develop relationships with their peers, family, self and God.

A big thank you to the parents/carers who have offered to assist with the catering. A roster will be emailed to the volunteers early next week

Year 12 Marist Forum

Two Year 12 students, Nicola Richards and Belinda Ferris have volunteered to attend this year's Marist Forum in Brisbane from **2 May to 4 May** and will be accompanied by Miss McDonald. The Forum is a gathering of students from Marist schools across NSW, ACT and QLD designed to deepen a sense of Marist spirituality and mission and to explore the notion of vocation in a creative environment.

Stamps for the Sisters of Mary MacKillop in Peru

Please remember to save your used stamps and send them in to the College. The Sisters in Peru need our support to enable them to continue their work with disadvantaged and marginalised children. **Thank you to all who have donated so far.**

Second Hand Uniforms

The second hand uniform 'shop' is open each Wednesday during first break.

If you have uniforms your child no longer requires - all donations are gratefully accepted and many thanks to those who have already sent in donations.

Thursday Mass

Thursday 1 May - Mrs Cameron's Year 11A CMT Class

Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel at 10.40 am each Thursday.

ALL WELCOME – Families, Friends, Fellow students!!!

Please Pray for ...

- Mrs Butterworth and others in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness.
- Safety and enrichment for our students on various excursions/retreats.
- Innocent victims in Syria and other countries experiencing war and conflict.

Praise and Thanks for...

- Civilians and defence personnel working to rebuild lives and to bring peace, unity and justice in many parts of the world.
- The generous support for Project Compassion and the St Vinnies Easter Appeal.
- The safe return of students and staff, after the Easter holidays.

If you have any requests for either of the above prayers, please leave your request at the Office.

ANZAC DAY ASSEMBLY



Counselling Services

Philomena Burke

P: 4973 4706 (Monday – Thursday)

E: Philomena_Burke@rok.catholic.edu.au

STEPS TO IMPROVING ACADEMIC OUTCOMES

Throughout Term One I met with several students whose subject marks had improved with each piece of assessment they handed in to their teachers. Most of these students were of average ability but a pattern of behaviour emerged after meeting with these young people.

Determination and commitment

Each of the students was determined to improve his/her marks and generally choose two subjects on which to focus. Often this had a ripple effect on other subjects as the self-discipline and planning carried over to other areas. While parents supported their ambitions there seemed to be no pressure from home. They were all extremely **busy** with extra-curricular activities and often had part-time work as well. It turned out they had to be very organised about how they managed their study time.

Weekly plans

These students each drew up a written weekly plan to which they stuck for at least two weeks. If it was unrealistic they adjusted it at this stage and tried again. (Senior students might find a term long plan more helpful).

Rewards and Friends

They rewarded themselves after, not before they had completed their school work by meeting friends, getting online or just relaxing. They had friends with whom they could revise/quiz each other before tests or check answers to homework.

Class time

I found it interesting when I heard them explain that they managed to get a lot of their work done in school. They used their class time to ask questions, to participate in discussions and to work independently. These students realised that if they had to be in class they might as well use this time effectively.

Involvement

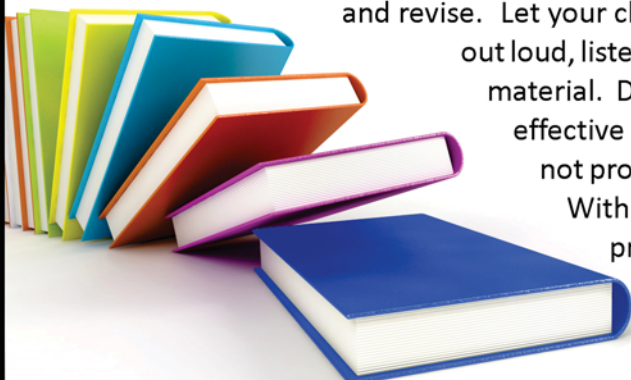
All of the students I spoke with lead a balanced life, are very much involved in the Chanel and Gladstone communities, have friends who respect their right to learn and parents who support their vision for achieving.

Supporting your child

If your child has just received some disappointing feedback on tests and assignments from last term, sit down with them and see if they can share some insight into what behaviours they need to change to improve. Help them to make a realistic study plan taking into account their other commitments and put it on public display as this is a good motivator to stay committed! Praise them when they stick to the plan and review it as needed. There will be times during the term when more work is required and also times to slow down

and revise. Let your child decide if he/she learns best by writing, drawing, talking out loud, listening to music or bouncing off you or a friend to reinforce new material. Doing some study most night throughout the term is the most effective way to learn. Cramming several hours into a weekend does not produce results as the brain needs time to absorb new material.

With your encouragement and a little work done regularly will produce positive results.



EASTER CELEBRATIONS



sporting news

Kylie Kickbusch
Sports Coordinator

GARY LARSON 9's RUGBY LEAGUE - OPEN BOYS

After many weeks of dedicated training the Chanel College First XIII finally had an opportunity to show how they are tracking towards their Confraternity Shield goals at the Gary Larsen Nines Carnival.

Game 1 - Our day started with a bit of a scratch match against Moura State High School who, unfortunately, were under strength. However the boys weren't fazed and showed great spirit with the likes of Kane Langdon, Johnnton Oost, Jordan Holzberger and Daniel Pengelly all nominating themselves to help Moura field a team to play against the remaining Chanel boys, which gave us a great opportunity to try a few new combinations. The game was played in a typical schoolyard fashion with literally mate against mate for the majority of it (in fact, our only injury for the tournament was caused by some friendly fire in this game). In the end, the Chanel team won the game but also won some fans from Moura by helping their players field a team.

Game 2 - Toolooa were next on our must win list and after a determined effort in ridiculous heat the boys were once again triumphant. After skipping to an early lead Toolooa launched wave upon wave of attack on our line only for our boys to continue to repel them with a sturdy and unwavering defensive effort.

Games 3 – Win and we are in. Tannum Sands State High school were our next opponent. They were a big squad but this was the game when our attack clicked. Josh Hughes, Justin Cridland and Jack Breadsell controlled their corridors to perfection and were supported with hard running charges from Riley Daley, Cooper Lems, Hugh Bradley Woods, Kane Langdon, Johnnton Oost and Jordan Holzberger. These guys were backed up with great efforts from Dan Pengelly, Harrison Madge and the younger lads who started to gel into the squad; Ben Grey, Adam Romagnolo and Terry Gibson. Overall it was a pleasing and well deserved game and started to show the boys glimpses of their potential as a team.

With three wins from three games we qualified for the final to play against the much fancied Gladstone State High School.

Final - From the outset you could see this was going to be a physical game but not only did our lads defend strongly they made the most of every opportunity that GSHS presented them with. Jordan was outstanding (winning man of the match) with his hard running lines and 3 tries but I was also impressed with young Terry who stood up (due to injury of Jack – see game 1) and led his corridor superbly in attack and defence. After a strong start by GSHS which was met head on by all of our players we were able to push our advantage home in the second half and end convincing winners.

I couldn't have been more proud of the boys on their efforts throughout the day and thank them for displaying a great attitude to keep fronting up for each game in the heat and actually improving as a group as we went along. Early days but we are definitely heading in the right direction and with the team war-cry in celebration at the end of the game like the one I heard that day – I certainly hope to hear it many times again.

Chris Andersen (Coach Chanel First XIII)



Port Curtis Cross Country

The Port Curtis Cross Country will be held at Gladstone Golf Course on **Tuesday 6 May**. The top 10 students from our school cross country are eligible to attend the trials. Students have been issued parent consent forms through Pastoral Care folders, and these will need to be signed and returned by **1 May**. Good luck to all students attending the Port Curtis Cross County trials.

Career news

Jaye Mellor
Careers Officer

Work Experience 2014

Work Experience 2014 is going to be very busy. Placements will be a cost of \$60 per placement. The money needs to be included with the form and taken to the office for receipting and then the form is forwarded to myself. Forms will then be copied and handed to SAIN.

These forms are in a wall stand outside my office.

Holiday Work Experience Dates are:- (Green Form)

30 June to 4 July

7 July to 11 July

22 September to 26 September

29 September to 3 October

1 December to 5 December

8 December to 12 December

Year 10 Work Experience

Forms and an accompanying letter will go out to the students in week 3 of this term. I will endeavour to gather the students together as a group to talk with them about this process prior to handing out the paperwork.

It is very important that we follow the procedures as this placement is an important step in the student's career pathway choices. If your student is interested in an education pathway this is the placement to utilise as after this all placements will be in the school holidays.

In some areas students may only be doing housekeeping duties but while they undertake these duties we need for them to understand and observe the work that is going on around them. Encourage them to see that this is one of many opportunities ahead of them for work experience. If they find out they are not enjoying this placement then that is something that they have learnt so they then can say it's not what they want to do.

Some students will not get their first or even second options as it will depend on the number of students interested in various areas. If there is an opportunity for your student to stay with family in another town and a placement can be organised there, please use this opportunity.

If you would like to speak to me regarding any work experience please either contact the office or via email.

POSITION VACANT

Royal Thai Kitchen Sun Valley Marketplace are looking for part-time Waitresses and Kitchen Hands. To apply email your resume to royalthaikitchen@hotmail.com or drop it off at Shop 12 Sun Valley Marketplace. Phone 4978 5575 or mobile 0467001930 for more information.



It is impossible to lick your elbow.

A broken clock is right two times a day.

You are born with 300 bones, by the time you are an adult you will have 206.

Over 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow.

University OPEN DAYS 2014

UQ OPEN DAYS 2014

St Lucia

Sun 3 August: 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

Ipswich

Wed 6 August: 2.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Gatton

Sun 17 August: 9.30 am – 3.00 pm

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Brisbane Campus

Sat 26 July: 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

1100 Nudgee Road, Banyo

QUT OPEN DAY

Gardens Point

Sun 27 July 2014: 9.00 am – 4.00 pm

GRIFFITH OPEN DAY

Gold Coast, Nathan and South Bank
Campuses

Sun 10 August 2014

UNIVERSITY OF SUNSHINE COAST

Sun 10 August 2014

JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

Cairns Campus

Sun 27 July: 12.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Townsville Campus

Sun 24 August: 12.00 pm - 4.00 pm

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QGC Visits Chanel

On Tuesday 1 April, QGC, in collaboration with QMEA, visited Chanel College to speak to our Year 8 and 9 students as well as our Year 11 Chemistry and Year 12 Chemistry classes. Their guest speaker was Mr Kieran Pierce who was assisted by Ms Robyn Sotiris and Mrs Nataly Fay. Kieran spoke to the students about his role as an Industrial Chemist in the QGC LNG operation on Curtis Island and how he became a Chemist. It was interesting for the Year 11 and 12 students to hear what he studied at university and then see what companies and experience he had acquired before joining QGC as their Chief Chemist. This was a great opportunity for students to see how industry needs scientific graduates here in Gladstone.

Mr D Fisser (Science Coordinator)



STUDENT ACCESS CENTRE

**Do you need help with
Assignments? Homework? Careers?**

Available for you are:

Computers & Printers, Resources & Support Material, Friendly Faces.

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT HELP

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 8.00 am. Also First Break every day except Thursdays.

Contact Chanel College's Inclusive Curriculum Coordinator:

Mrs Robyn Jurd on 4973 4739 or Career Officer: Mrs Mellor on 4973 4738

Bus Fare Assistance

- Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?
- Does your family spend more than \$25/week* on fares to and from school (* \$20/week if you hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a publicly available bus not owned or associated with the school?

STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES Semester 1, 2014

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at www.schooltransport.com.au by 31 May 2014. Late applications cannot be accepted.

Upcoming Events

Week 2

Mon 28 April

- House Assemblies
- St Peter Chanel Feast Day
- Student Rep Council Meeting

Tue 29 April

- Year 7 for 2015 Information Evening 5.00 pm

Thur 1 May

- Year 10 Retreat
- Mass today

Fri 2 May

- Year 10 Retreat

Week 3

Mon 5 May

- Whole School Assembly
- Year 10 Retreat
- Year 8 Elective Subject Selection Evening 6.00 pm

Tue 6 May

- Year 10 Retreat

Wed 7 May

- Year 10 Retreat
- Year 11 Biology Field Trip
- Chanel Board Meeting 5.30 pm

Thur 8 May

- Year 10 Retreat

Fri 9 May

- Year 7 for 2015 Enrolment Applications Close

SCHOOL FEES

School Fees are Overdue. If you have not received your statement please contact the College Office. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your account, please contact the Finance Office to make arrangements.

Finance Office Manager
Ph: 4973 4714

Students with Disabilities

- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?
- Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

